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A copy of page 1 of the Application, as filed on August 18, 1999, is enclosed to support this correction.

In addition to the correction detailed above, Applicants respectfully request correction of the Attorney Docket Number. The Attorney Docket Number should read as follows: 107823.129

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Technical Field

The invention concerns methods and compositions having increased therapeutic effect by altering the immunogenicity of the active component without decreasing the active component's antigenicity. Typically, a beneficial therapeutic effect is derived from altering the state of the immune system, and for some embodiments of the invention, e.g., cancer immunotherapy, immunogenicity is induced, activated, or increased. The invention also concerns methods and compositions for stimulating a host's immune response, particularly for the treatment of cancer. The methods and compositions according to the invention use binding agents such as antibodies to generate an immune response to a pre-determined antigen.

Background Art

In vertebrates, the mechanisms of natural and specific immunity cooperate within a system of host defenses, the immune system, to eliminate foreign invaders. The hypothesis that the immune system ought to be able to recognize tumors and thus could be recruited in the fight against cancer has been a driving force behind outstanding efforts of many immunologists. This approach is attractive because of the